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## **TWO MEXICAN MEN INDICTED FOR CONSPIRING TO TRANSPORT ILLEGAL ALIENS**

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two Mexican men were indicted by a federal grand jury today for operating a business together of transporting illegal aliens.

**Felix Rojas-Magana**, 35, and **Adrian Alvarado-Bonilla**, 27, both citizens of Mexico, were charged in a seven-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Jefferson City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Rojas-Magana** and **Alvarado-Bonilla** participated in a conspiracy to transport illegal aliens with the United States and to harbor illegal aliens.

**Rojas-Magana** and **Alvarado-Bonilla** operated a business of transporting illegal aliens from at least as early as May 31 to June 9, 2005, the indictment alleges. **Rojas-Magana** and **Alvarado-Bonilla** arranged for the pick up of illegal aliens and transported them from one location within the United States to another location within the United States, the indictment says, charging a fee to the illegal aliens.

According to the indictment, **Rojas-Magana** illegally entered the United States on May 31, 2005. Some time prior to that, **Alvarado-Bonilla** was allegedly recruited by an unknown individual in Mexico to illegally re-enter the United States, then pick up illegal aliens in Phoenix, Ariz., and transport them to another state. **Alvarado-Bonilla** recruited **Rojas-Magana** to assist him, the indictment alleges.

On June 4, 2005, **Alvarado-Bonilla** allegedly illegally re-entered the United States, then received a green 1993 Plymouth Voyager van from an unknown individual at the Fruit City Grocery Store in Phoenix. On the same day, the indictment says, **Alvarado-Bonilla** picked up **Rojas-Magana** and drove the van to a house in Phoenix, where they loaded 11 illegal aliens for

transport to Tennessee. Each of the illegal aliens had allegedly paid an unknown smuggler in Mexico between \$1,000 and \$1,800 for their transportation across the United States.

Counts Two through Five of the federal indictment each allege that **Rojas-Magana** and **Alvarado-Bonilla** transported an illegal alien within the United States on June 9, 2005, in Camden County, Mo.

Count Six of the federal indictment alleges that **Alvarado-Bonilla**, who had previously been deported on April 12, 2004, was found in the United States at Camden County on June 9, 2005.

Count Seven of the federal indictment alleges that **Rojas-Magana** illegally entered the United States and was found in Camden County on June 9, 2005.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lawrence E. Miller. It was investigated by the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Camden County, Mo., Sheriff's Department.

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